Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 30 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 31 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 29 Oct 2020 at 16:23 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a decent day on Friday followed by a very unsettled period with increasing chance of snow on the higher mountains but low for details and wind strengths over the weekend.

Headline for Friday 30 Oct 2020: Sunny spells and a few showers, of snow on the summits. Severe wind chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 30 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Drizzle	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
80%	70%	30%	30%	20%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Friday 30 Oct 2020

Weather: Mostly cloudy overnight with further rain, this generally lighter but still the odd slightly heavier outbreak at first. Towards daybreak the rain breaking up into light showers with these turning wintry on the summits. The rest of the day will become bright with cloud breaking further to allow some sunshine at times, though still with one or two scattered, brief light showers and cold enough for these to be of snow above 900m. The evening dry with largely clear skies and just the odd patch of summit cloud.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% overnight with extensive cloud at 400-600m and lower patches in west, rising 40% by dawn, and then 80% from late morning with only isolated patches of cloud on the highest tops.

Visibility: Moderate or poor in rain or drizzle overnight becoming generally good during the day away from the lifting cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	48/59 SW	40/51 SW	38/47 W	37/46 SW	34/44 SW	33/41 SW	28/36 S	24/31 S	27/34 SE
900	34/45 SW	30/40 SW	27/36 W	25/34 W	24/33 W	23/31 SW	19/27 SW	18/24 S	20/27 SE
600	46/56 SW	35/45 SW	33/42 SW	28/36 SW	26/35 SW	26/34 SW	24/30 SW	22/28 S	16/21 S
300	23/33 SW	20/31 SW	16/25 W	13/20 SW	16/24 SW	13/21 SW	12/19 S	12/19 S	10/17 SE
Glen	17/32 SW	15/29 SW	16/32 W	11/25 W	14/27 W	10/23 SW	7/16 SW	7/16 S	5/12 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/1	6/-0	1/-7	-1/-10	-2/-10	-1/-10	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-8
900	9/3	8/2	4/-2	2/-5	2/-5	2/-5	1/-4	1/-5	1/-6
600	11/5	10/5	6/0	4/-2	4/-2	5/-1	5/-1	5/-0	5/1
300	12/8	11/8	8/5	6/3	7/3	7/4	7/3	6/3	6/3
Glen	13/10	13/10	10/7	9/6	9/6	9/7	8/6	8/6	7/6
Freezing Level*	2300m	2100m	1500m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note the low feels like temperatures at height

Forecast for Saturday 31 Oct 2020
Weather: A dry start to the early hours, then cloud and heavy rain, preceded by summit snow, will arrive before morning, accompanied by severe gale to storm force winds. This heavy rain will last into the afternoon before turning more showery in the evening the showers then turning wintry on the highest tops.

Maximum wind: South or southeast 50 gusts 80mph veering westerly in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% at midnight falling 10% before morning with extensive cloud to 400-700m then chances improving 30% in the evening

Visibility: Poor in heavy rain and mist becoming mainly good away from showers in the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 at midnight rising to Plus 12 in the afternoon then falling Plus 7 by midnight.
At 800m: Plus 2 at midnight rising plus 8 by late morning then falling to Plus 4 in the evening.
Freezing level: 1000m early hours rising above summits in the morning then falling to 1200m later in the evening.

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